

[English]

**Reduction in Price of Sugar**

3314. SHRI KARIA MUNDA: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to reduce the price of sugar in the future;

(b) if not, reasons thereof; and

(c) whether the Government propose to start more sugar mills in the public sectors; and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) There is no proposal under consideration of Government at present to reduce the retail issue price of levy sugar.

(b) Since there has been no reduction in any of the factors which go into the computation of retail issue price of levy sugar, the question of its reduction does not arise.

(c) The Central Government does not propose specific locations for setting up of new sugar mills in any part of the country. Entrepreneurs submit their applications keeping in view the techno economic viability of the projects. These applications are considered by the Government according to the licensing policy guidelines in the force at that time. As such, it is not possible to indicate the number of factories to be set up in the Public Sector.

[Translation]

**Project for Supply of Drinking Water in Cuttack, Orissa with World Bank Assistance**

3315. SHRI SRIKANTA JENA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any project for provision of drinking water facilities in Cuttack district, Orissa, is being implemented by the Government with the assistance of World Bank or any other international institution;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the estimated expenditure and the year of its likely completion;

(d) whether the implementation of the project is being delayed; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UTTAMBHAI H. PATEL): (a) There is no ongoing project for provision of drinking water in Cuttack district, Orissa, with the assistance of World Bank or an International Institution. However, a project (Phasell) is being implemented in Cuttack, Puri and Balasore districts with the assistance from Government of Denmark.

(b) The details of the project in Cuttack are as under:—

S.No	Name of Block	No. of Villages involved	No of tubewells Required	Provided upto August 1991
1.	Kendrapara	129	610	155
2.	Marshaghai	105	472	112
3.	Kujong	160	625	188